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Reimar FINCK et al.

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Aluminum Tape Intended for Can Making

Examiner: J. Combs

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APPELLANT'S REPLY BRIEF

SIR:

This is appellant's reply brief in response to the Examiner's Answer mailed May 26, 2005.

The Examiner states that the limitation which recites that the "last of the hot rolling passes are carried out without recrystallization on the reversing roll stand from coil to coil in a temperature range of 260°C, which is below a recrystallization temperature of the rolled strip", is obvious because Daly teaches that the exit temperature from the reversible hot mill may be 249° to 405°C, with 327°C being preferred, and because Daly suggest avoiding recrystallization (see p. 11 lines 1-7, of the Examiner's answer). The Examiner further states that since the range of Daly

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